HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 603

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Brian Smith on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Brian Smith is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for over twenty-five years with the City of Cleveland Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Detective Smith will be taking a much deserved retirement on March 31, 2012; and

WHEREAS, he began his tenure with the Cleveland Police Department as patrolman, in which position he served on and off from 1983 to 1996, when he was promoted to his current position of detective; he also served for a brief time between 2008 and 2009 as a patrol sergeant; and

WHEREAS, prior to his employment with the Cleveland Police Department, he worked with the Bradley County Sheriff's Department, where he received his POST certification on April 22, 1981; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Cleveland High School, where he played baseball, Detective Smith went on to graduate from the Tennesse Law Enforcement Training Academy and has also completed coursework in the Criminal Justice program at Cleveland State Community College; and

WHEREAS, throughout his honorable career of service and sacrifice, he has received bountiful support and encouragement from his parents, E.J. and Virginia Smith, his son, Kyle Smith, his brothers, Mike and Joe Smith, and his sister, Deborah Smith Ledford; and

WHEREAS, in his retirement, he is looking forward to playing golf and spending more time with his family; and

WHEREAS, Brian Smith exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Brian Smith has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Brian Smith our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, applauding his many years of outstanding service to the good people of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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